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For: STABLE RECOMBINANT YEASTS FOR FERMENTING  
XYLOSE TO ETHANOL

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 2 October 2003, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 2 January 2004 to 2 February 2004.

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